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THE AMERICAN ANTHROPOLOGICAL
ASSOCIATION.

A SPECIAL meeting of the American Anthropological Association was held in the Department of Anthropology at the Affiliated Colleges of the University of California, San Francisco, August 29-31, 1905.

This, the first meeting of the association ever held west of St. Louis, was presided over by Professor Frederick W. Putnam, Dr. A. L. Kroeber being secretary of the committee on program and arrangements. Dr. Charles Peabody was elected secretary *pro tempore*, in place of Dr. George Grant MacCurdy, the secretary, whose enforced absence was due to injuries sustained in a bicycle accident.

The second day's sessions were held at the California Academy of Sciences; and those of the third day, at the University of California, Berkeley, in conjunction with the California Branch of the American Folk-Lore Society.

COMMITTEES.

Two important committees were appointed by the president, both to report at the next regular meeting. The first of these, consisting of Dr. Charles Peabody (chairman), Professor John H. Wright, Mr. W. K. Moorehead, Mr. F. W. Hodge, Mr. J. D. McGuire, is to investigate the question whether an improvement or a readjustment of the names used in archeology be feasible. The other committee, composed of Mr. F. W. Hodge (chairman), Mr. W. H. Holmes, Dr. Franz Boas, Dr. A. L. Kroeber, Dr. R. B. Dixon, Dr. George A. Dorsey, Mr. James Mooney, is to consider the most desirable nomenclature for Indian families north of Mexico.

The amendments to the constitution, as recommended by the council at its meeting in Philadelphia, in December, 1904, and in New York, in April, 1905, were adopted. The amended constitution, together with

abstracts of all the papers read, will appear in the *American Anthropologist* for October-December, 1905.

Fifty-two new members were elected.

EXCURSIONS AND ENTERTAINMENTS.

On Tuesday, August 29, luncheon was tendered the association by Mrs. Phoebe A. Hearst, in the Department of Anthropology at the Affiliated Colleges, San Francisco.

In the afternoon an exhibition of the collections of the department was held. The officers of the department conducted the members of the association through the building and explained the collections.

On Wednesday, August 30, a luncheon was tendered the association by the California Academy of Sciences, at the St. Francis Hotel, Vice-President Alpheus Bull making an address of welcome.

In the evening of August 30, a dinner was given the visiting members of the association by the resident members, at the St. Francis Hotel.

On Thursday, August 31, before the opening of the morning session, Professor J. C. Merriam conducted a party to the Emeryville shell mound, explaining the excavations made in the mound by himself and Dr. M. Uhle.

On the same day, luncheon was tendered the association by Mrs. Phoebe Hearst, in the building of the Department of Anthropology of the University of California, at Berkeley.

After luncheon, the collection of plaster casts illustrative of ancient art was exhibited, as arranged, in this building.

On Friday, September 1, an excursion was made to Mr. Luther Burbank's home in Santa Rosa. This excursion was arranged through the courtesy of Mr. Burbank, the California Promotion Committee and the California Northwestern Railway. Thirty-four members took part.

On Saturday, September 2, an excursion was made to Leland Stanford Junior University. The buildings and grounds were shown the party and luncheon was tendered by officers of the university. Twenty members took part in this excursion.

RESOLUTIONS.

Resolutions, as follows, were unanimously passed by the association: Resolutions expressing appreciation of the courtesy and hospitality of Mrs. Phoebe A. Hearst; of the Academy of Sciences, and of Vice-President Bull and Director Loomis; of the University of California and President Wheeler; of Mr. Luther Burbank; and of the Leland Stanford Junior University; also expressing appreciation of the successful energy and direction of Professor Putnam, president of the association, and of Dr. Kroeber, secretary of the committee on program and arrangements; also by the visiting members, expressing their appreciation of the hospitality of the resident members.

PAPERS READ.

August 29, 1905.

DR. FREDERICK WARD PUTNAM, director of the Museum of Anthropology of the University of California, and curator of the Peabody Museum of Harvard University: 'Exhibition of Bones, Possibly showing the Work of Man, from Quaternary Caves of California.' Discussed by Mrs. Herrick, Hill-Tout, J. C. Merriam.

MR. CHARLES HILL-TOUT, Ethnological Survey of Canada: 'Heterogeneity of the Culture of the Selish Tribes.' Discussed by Dixon, Goddard, C. Hart Merriam, Kroeber, Barrett.

DR. C. HART MERRIAM, chief of the Biological Survey, Washington, D. C.: 'The Aboriginal Indian Population of California.' Discussed by Mrs. Herrick, McLeod, Barrett.

DR. R. B. DIXON, Harvard University: 'The Mythology of the Shasta-Achomawi Indians of California.' Discussed by Hill-Tout, C. H. Merriam.

MISS CONSTANCE GODDARD DUBOIS, Waterbury, Conn.: 'Mission Religious Myths.' Illustrated with phonograph records. Discussed by C. H. Merriam, Peabody.

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MRS. R. F. HERRICK, Eureka, Calif.: 'The Indians of Humboldt Bay.' Discussed by Hill-Tout, Keeler, Rust.

DR. J. C. MERRIAM, University of California: 'The Exploration of Quaternary Caves in California.' Illustrated with lantern slides. Discussed by Peabody.

DR. A. HEDLICKA, assistant curator, physical anthropology, U. S. National Museum: 'A Contribution to the Physical Anthropology of California.'

MR. S. A. BARRETT, University of California: 'Presentation of a Map showing the Territory, Divisions, Villages and Camp-Sites of the Pomo Indians of California.' Discussed by C. H. Merriam, Dixon.

DR. C. HART MERRIAM, Washington, D. C.: 'The Chieftain of the Tongva, a Mortuary Ceremony.' Discussed by Miss DuBois, Dixon, Hill-Tout.

MR. P. S. SPARKMAN, Valley Centre, San Diego County, Calif.: 'The Grammar of the Luiseño Language of Southern California.' Discussed by Hill-Tout.

DR. PHILIP MILLS JONES, secretary and editor of the Medical Society of the State of California: 'Brief Description of a Method for preserving Shell Specimens.' Discussed by Putnam.

DR. CHARLES PEABODY and WARREN K. MOOREHEAD, Archeological Museum of Phillips Academy, Andover, Mass.: 'The Naming of Specimens in American Archeology.' Discussed by Hill-Tout.

DR. J. C. MERRIAM, University of California: 'The Excavations at Emeryville Shell Mound.' Illustrated with lantern slides. Discussed by Dixon, Hill-Tout, Putnam.

MR. H. N. RUST, South Pasadena, Calif.: 'A Ceremony of the Mission Indians of Southern California.' Discussed by Kroeber, Miss DuBois, Hill-Tout, Putnam.

DR. A. L. KROEBER, University of California: 'Exhibition of a Basket, now in the California Academy of Sciences, from the Extinct Indians of San Nicolas Island, California.' Discussed by McLeod, Rust.

MR. F. I. MONSEN, San Francisco, Calif.: 'Explorations in Northern Arizona and New Mexico.' Discussed by Putnam.

August 31, 1905.

DR. A. L. KROEBER, secretary of the department of anthropology, University of California: 'Systematic Nomenclature in American Ethnology.' Discussed by J. C. Merriam, C. H. Merriam, Hill-Tout, Dixon, Peabody.

DR. C. HART MERRIAM, Washington, D. C.: 'Basket Cave Burial in California.' Discussed by McLeod, Putnam.

MR. H. N. RUST, South Pasadena, Calif.: 'The Obsidian Blades of Northern California.' Discussed by Putnam.

MR. S. A. BARRETT, University of California: 'Basket Designs of the Pomo Indians.' Discussed by C. H. Merriam.

DR. P. E. GODDARD, department of anthropology, University of California: 'Mechanical Aids to the Study and Recording of Language.' Discussed by Putnam.

DR. J. C. MERRIAM, University of California: 'Some Suggestions concerning the Origin of the Calaveras Skull.' Illustrated with lantern slides. Discussed by Hill-Tout.

MR. CHARLES KEELER, Berkeley, Calif.: 'Creation Myths and Folk Tales of the Manua Islands, Samoa.' Discussed by Dixon.

MR. J. T. GOODMAN, Alameda, Calif.: 'The Maya Dates.' Discussed by Putnam.

MR. C. C. WILLOUGHBY, assistant curator, Peabody Museum of Harvard University: 'Specimens in the Peabody Museum collected by the Lewis and Clark Expedition.'

MR. H. N. RUST, South Pasadena, Calif.: 'Exhibition of Implements from San Nicolas Island, used for Cutting and Working Shell Ornaments.'

PROFESSOR HOWARD SWAN, Imperial College, Peking, China: 'A Systematic Arrangement for Recording Dialects.'

PROFESSOR W. H. HOLMES, Washington, D. C.: 'Antiquity of Man in North America.' Discussed by Putnam, Peabody, Swan.

DR. F. C. NEWCOMBE, Victoria, B. C.: 'Exhibition of Northwestern Indian Designs.' Discussed by Hill-Tout.

BY TITLE.

MR. CHARLES F. LUMMIS, secretary of the Southwest Society, Los Angeles, of the Archeological Institute of America: 'Old Indian and Spanish Folk Songs of the Southwest.' Illustrated with phonograph records.

MR. C. P. MACKIE, Englewood, N. J.: 'A Plea for the more Critical Use of History in Anthropological Research.'

DR. GEORGE GRANT MACCURDY, Yale University: 'Eoliths from England and Belgium.'

DR. C. HART MERRIAM, Washington, D. C.: 'Basketry of California Indians.'

DR. ALBERT ERNEST JENKS, chief of the Ethnological Survey of the Philippine Islands, Manila: 'The Peopling of the Philippines.'

DR. A. L. KROEBER, University of California: 'Indian System of Consanguinity in California.'

MISS JEANNE ELIZABETH WIER, Nevada State University: 'The Washoe Indians of Nevada.'

DR. N. B. EMERSON, Honolulu, Hawaii: "Introduction to 'Unwritten Literature of Hawaii.'"

MRS. ZELIA NUTTALL, director of the Crocker researches in Mexico for the department of anthropology of the University of California: 'The Earliest Historical Communications between Japan and Mexico, from Original Documents preserved in Archives of Japan, recently brought to Light by a Mexican Diplomat.'

MR. ALVIN SEALE, Leland Stanford Junior University: 'Ceremonies relating to Sickness and Death in the Solomon Islands.'

MISS ALICE C. FLETCHER, Washington, D. C.: 'The Earth Lodge and its Migrations.'

MR. JAMES MOONEY, Washington, D. C.: 'The Cheyenne Indians.'

MR. JAMES MOONEY, Washington, D. C.: 'The Caloosa Tribe of Florida.'

DR. J. R. SWANTON, Washington, D. C.: 'The Social Organization of American Tribes.'

PROFESSOR W. H. HOLMES, Washington, D. C.: 'Architecture of the Aborigines of North America.'

PROFESSOR W. H. HOLMES, Washington, D. C.: 'Use of Copper by the Aborigines of North America.'

PROFESSOR W. H. HOLMES, Washington, D. C.: 'Problematical Objects in the Prehistoric Archeology of North America.'

It was voted that no program be proposed for the meeting of the American Association for the Advancement of Science, at New Orleans, and that the annual meeting be held at Ithaca, New York, in December, 1905.

GEORGE GRANT MACCURDY,
Secretary.

YALE UNIVERSITY MUSEUM,
NEW HAVEN, CONN.

SCIENTIFIC BOOKS.

Evolution, Racial and Habitudinal. By the Rev. JOHN T. GULICK. Washington, Carnegie Institution, August, 1905. 8vo. Pp. xii + 269; 3 pl.

Dr. Gulick for more than thirty years has been an earnest advocate of the importance of segregation of groups of individuals as an